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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF

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Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Decision dated November 7, 2001 of the Primary Examiner finally rejecting claims 2-9. The Assistant

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Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the \$320 fee Mul 2002 required for filing a Notice of Appeal to Deposit Account No GROUP 1600 23-1703.

In the Amendment and Response they submitted on May 2, 2002, Applicants requested an extension of time to respond to the final Office Action for three months up to and including May 7, 2002 and paid the fee therefor.

The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required for any reason to Deposit Account No. 23-1703.

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